## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 361 By Finney

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Nathan Skky Rodriguez, 2005 Salutatorian of Seymour High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Nathan Skky Rodriguez is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at Seymour High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Nathan Rodriguez has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Nathan Rodriguez has earned an exemplary 3.98 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his excellence in the classroom, Nathan has devoted his time and energy to many clubs and organizations, including the Beta Club and Seymour High School's choir, which performs in many local area churches; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Mr. Rodriguez has been recognized in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, as an All-East/All-State Choir Member, as a Ventures Scholar, as a National Hispanic Scholar, and as a National Chemistry Olympiad State Finalist; he also attended the 2003 Governor's School for the Arts in Vocal Music as a Concert/Opera Soloist; and

WHEREAS, a talented and agile musician, he received a Superior rating and the Extra Merit Performance award in the University of Tennessee Caywood Solo Vocal Festival and a Superior rating for Student Directing in the Small Ensemble Festival; and

WHEREAS, Nathan Rodriguez's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; he will be attending Middle Tennessee State University with a Presidential Scholarship, a Hope Scholarship, and a School of Music Vocal Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Nathan's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Gilbert and Isabel Rodriguez, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Nathan Rodriguez's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Seymour High School Salutatorian, Nathan Skky Rodriguez, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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